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FIRST AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Responsive to the Official Action dated August 21, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1, line 2, delete "compound existing as a".

2. (Amended) A rapidly dispersing solid dosage form [of claim 1] consisting essentially of a water insoluble nanometer or micrometer particulate solid which is surface stabilized within one or more surface modifiers of which at least one is a phospholipid, the water insoluble particulate solid dispersed throughout a bulking matrix optionally also including a releasing agent forming a therapeutic dosage form when dried which when the dosage form is introduced into an aqueous environment the bulking/releasing matrix is substantially disintegrated within less than 2 minutes thereby